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DECISION ON PETITION

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 24, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-cited application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed March 7, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Extension of the time set for reply was available pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136. No response to the non-final Office action was received within the allowable period. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on June 8, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 13, 2005.

The amendment filed March 24, 2006, is noted.

The application is being forwarded to Technology 2100, GAU2195 for further processing.

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